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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE DEMONSTRATION BY BOLIVIAN, ARGENTINE, AND CHILEAN EXILES DURING THE VISIT TO PERU OF MRS. JIMMY CARTER

1. ON 6 MAY 1977, A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY 40 PERSONS, INCLUDING BOLIVIAN, ARGENTINE, AND CHILEAN EXILES IN PERU, MET AT THE HOME OF A CHILEAN EXILE TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF HOLDING A DEMONSTRATION IN SUPPORT OF HUMAN RIGHTS DURING THE SCHEDULED VISIT TO PERU OF MRS. JIMMY CARTER.

2. THE GROUP AGREED TO USE THE VISIT OF MRS. CARTER TO CALL ATTENTION TO THE EXISTENCE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS IN THE THREE COUNTRIES. THE BOLIVIAN AND ARGENTINE EXILES SAID THAT THEY WANT TO STRONGLY URGE THE UNITED STATES TO

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CONDEMN THE MILITARY DICTATORSHIPS IN ALL THREE COUNTRIES AND TO INSIST THAT THESE REGIMES TAKE MEASURES TO INSURE HUMAN RIGHTS. THE CHILEAN EXILES SAID THEY DID NOT WISH TO TAKE ANY ACTION THAT WOULD INSULT MRS. CARTER, CLAIMING THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS ALREADY HELPED TO EASE VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE.

3. NO DECISION WAS MADE ON WHETHER TO HOLD A DEMONSTRATION. IT WAS AGREED THAT THE GROUP WOULD MEET AGAIN THREE DAYS' BEFORE MRS. CARTER'S SCHEDULED ARRIVAL TO DECIDE WHETHER A DEMONSTRATION SHOULD BE HELD AND TO MAKE THE NECESSARY PLANS. AT THE TIME OF THE MEETING, THE GROUP THOUGHT MRS. CARTER WOULD ARRIVE IN PERU ON 19 MAY.

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